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ON REQUEST

This is a decision on the communication filed June 8, 2010, requesting to reinstate the above identified patent.

The request is **GRANTED**.

Applicant states that the first maintenance fee and the surcharge fee for late payment within six months was timely deposited on March 29, 2010 (March 28, 2010 being a Sunday). Applicants further states that, "Included in the Maintenance Fee Transmittal Form is a certificate of correspondence, signed and dated March 29, 2010, and a recital that "a check for the amount of \$1,110.00 for the full payment of the maintenance fee and any necessary surcharge is enclosed."

Applicants have submitted a copy of the above to meet the requirements of 37 CFR § 1.8(a).

The original documents along with the check in the amount of \$1,110 have not yet been associated with the above-identified patent. Therefore, a total of \$1,110.00 will be charged to deposit account no. 18-2000, as authorization was provided.

The maintenance fee is hereby accepted and the above-identified patent is reinstated as of the mail date of this decision.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3208.

The patent file is being referred to Files Repository.

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